

MINUTES
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (HCDC)
Meeting – November 12, 2008
Fresno City Hall, Conference Room 2165N (Rm. 'A' – 2nd Floor)
2600 Fresno Street
Fresno, California 93721

A. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Daniel Payne at 5:10 p.m.

Commissioners

Present: Daniel Payne, CHAIR
Rogenia Cox, VICE CHAIR
Armando Rodriguez, Commissioner
Wayne Jones, Commissioner
Jeffrey Harrington, Commissioner
Vacant, Commissioner
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Staff

Present:	Claudia Cázares, Interim Manager Housing and Community Development Fue Houa Thao, Acting Recording Secretary	Absent:	Keith Bergthold, Interim Director Planning and Development Department
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B. COMMUNICATIONS

None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of September 24, 2008 were approved as presented.

D. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

1. APPROVE DISPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT AND HOME AGREEMENT WITH ROEM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A 133-UNIT AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING COMPLEX ON KINGS CANYON ROAD BETWEEN WILLOW AVENUE AND PEACH AVENUE IN SOUTHEAST FRESNO

Corrina Nunez, Housing & Community Development Division, provided the report to commissioners. Recommend City Council to approve a Disposition and Development and HOME Agreement with ROEM Development Corporation for the development of a 133-unit affordable senior housing unit. The senior housing portion and the transit facility have now been separated. They are now two separated projects. The Disposition and Development agreement does not contain a commitment of HOME funds. This agreement is to serve as a City's interest in the project so that ROEM can apply for an infill Infrastructure Grant and the 9% Tax Credit's application in June of 2009. Currently the planning staff is finalizing the CUP and to date, ROEM has completed the preliminary design of the project, held two public meetings, completed a legal description on each of the project components, and assisted greatly in the development of the Disposition and Development Agreement.

Commissioners had questions and discussion followed.

Motion: Motion was made to recommend approval of item D1 by Commissioner Jones
Second: Commissioner Harrington seconded the motion.
Ayes: Payne, Rodríguez, Cox, Jones, Harrington
Noes: None
Abstain: None

2. ADOPT AMENDMENT I TO 2008-2013 CITY OF FRESNO HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE 2025 FRESNO GENERAL PLAN

Corrina Nunez, Housing and Community Development Division, provided the report to commissioners. The Housing Element, for consideration, recommend City Council adopt Amendment I to the 2008-2013 Housing Element of the 2025 General Plan, and authorize the Planning and Development Director to adopt future amendments, subject to City Attorney approval. Additional handouts and maps were handed out to commissioners due to revisions.

Commissioners had questions and discussion followed. Public comments were made.

Motion: Motion was made to recommend approval of item D2 by Commissioner Jones
Second: Commissioner Cox seconded the motion.
Ayes: Payne, Rodríguez, Harrington, Jones, Cox
Noes: None
Abstain: None

3. FY 2008-09 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM

Crystal Smith, Budget and Management Studies Division, provided the report to commissioners. This item is a substantial amendment to the fiscal year 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan for incorporation of the new entitlement program from HUD named the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. General information about this HUD entitlement program had been presented previously to commissioners. As a result of the foreclosure crisis, HUD has awarded the City \$10.969 million of federal funds. The City began a citizen participation process on October 14, by having a listening session. The City offered a Notice of Funds available to accept concept papers from October 17th – 24th. The amendment does not name specific projects. Possible activities have been categorized and will be presented to Council in the upcoming year in regards to which project will receive funds. This is an urgent financial matter as defined by HUD, with an application deadline of December 1, 2008. There will be an 18 month time frame to identify projects and obligate the funds. Recommendations made will be included in the staff report to City Council on Tuesday, November 18th for consideration and adoption.

Commissioners had questions and discussion followed. Public comments were made. Eric Tienken, producer of reality TV show, informed commissioners of a reality TV show, "American Dream Restored" that will be filmed in Fresno that chronicles the challenges that result from foreclosures.

Motion: Motion was made to recommend approval of item D3 by Commissioner Rodriguez
Second: Commissioner Harrington seconded the motion.
Ayes: Payne, Cox, Jones, Rodríguez, Harrington
Noes: None
Abstain: None

E. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

1. None

F. COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS

1. Commissioner Rodriguez announced that he attended the 223rd United States Marine Corps Birthday Ball Celebration on November 9, 2008, honoring Chair, Daniel Payne.

G. UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

1. None

H. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting: **December 10, 2008.**

There being no further business to bring before the Housing and Community Development Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Attest: Daniel Payne, CHAIR

Attest: Claudia Cázares, Interim Manager
Housing and Community Development